
SENATE BILL No. 154

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 9-30; IC 35-50-2-2.

Synopsis: Operating a vehicle while intoxicated. Makes the offense of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated as a Class A misdemeanor or a Class D felony if: (1) at least one passenger is less than 18 years of age; and (2) the driver is at least 21 years of age. Prevents persons who have been convicted of certain offenses involving operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated from obtaining a probationary license. Increases or establishes mandatory jail time for persons convicted of committing certain offenses involving operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated. Provides that: (1) assessments for alcohol and drug abuse; or (2) an alcohol or drug abuse program; must be conducted by certain persons. Requires the bureau of motor vehicles to suspend a person's driving privileges for life if the person is a habitual violator of traffic laws who has at least two convictions of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated and causing death.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 9-30-5-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.291-2001,
2 SECTION 222, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2004]: Sec. 3. A person who violates section 1
4 or 2 of this chapter commits a Class D felony if:

5 (1) the person has a previous conviction of operating while
6 intoxicated ~~and~~

7 (2) ~~the previous conviction of operating while intoxicated that~~
8 occurred within the five (5) years immediately preceding the
9 occurrence of the violation of section 1 or 2 of this chapter; ~~or~~

10 (2) **the person:**

11 (A) **is at least twenty-one (21) years of age;**

12 (B) **violates section 1(b) or 2(b) of this chapter; and**

13 (C) **operated a vehicle in which at least one (1) passenger**
14 **was less than eighteen (18) years of age.**

15 SECTION 2. IC 9-30-5-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
16 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2004]: Sec. 10. (a) In addition to a
17 criminal penalty imposed for an offense under this chapter or



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IC 14-15-8, the court shall, after reviewing the person's bureau driving record and other relevant evidence, recommend the suspension of the person's driving privileges for the fixed period of time specified under this section.

(b) If the court finds that the person:

(1) does not have a previous conviction of operating a vehicle or a motorboat while intoxicated; or

(2) has a previous conviction of operating a vehicle or a motorboat while intoxicated that occurred at least ten (10) years before the conviction under consideration by the court;

the court shall recommend the suspension of the person's driving privileges for at least ninety (90) days but not more than two (2) years.

(c) If the court finds that the person has a previous conviction of operating a vehicle or a motorboat while intoxicated and the previous conviction occurred more than five (5) years but less than ten (10) years before the conviction under consideration by the court, the court shall recommend the suspension of the person's driving privileges for at least one hundred eighty (180) days but not more than two (2) years. The court may stay the execution of that part of the suspension that exceeds the minimum period of suspension and grant the person probationary driving privileges for a period of time equal to the length of the stay. If the court grants probationary driving privileges under this subsection, the court may order that the probationary driving privileges include the requirement that the person may not operate a motor vehicle unless the motor vehicle is equipped with a functioning certified ignition interlock device under IC 9-30-8.

(d) If the court finds that the person has a previous conviction of operating a vehicle or a motorboat while intoxicated and the previous conviction occurred less than five (5) years before the conviction under consideration by the court, the court shall recommend the suspension of the person's driving privileges for at least one (1) year but not more than two (2) years. ~~The court may stay the execution of that part of the suspension that exceeds the minimum period of suspension and grant the person probationary driving privileges for a period of time equal to the length of the stay. If the court grants probationary driving privileges under this subsection; the court may order that the probationary driving privileges include the requirement that the person may not operate a motor vehicle unless the motor vehicle is equipped with a functioning certified ignition interlock device under IC 9-30-8.~~

(e) If the conviction under consideration by the court is for an offense under section 1(b) of this chapter, the court shall recommend the suspension of the person's driving privileges for at

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least one hundred eighty (180) days but not more than two (2) years.

(f) If:

- (1) the conviction under consideration by the court is for an offense under section 1(a), 1(c), or 2 of this chapter; and
- (2) the court determines that the person was at least twenty-one (21) years of age and operated a vehicle in which at least one (1) passenger was less than eighteen (18) years of age;

the court shall recommend the suspension of the person's driving privileges for at least one hundred eighty (180) days but not more than two (2) years.

(g) If:

- (1) the conviction under consideration by the court is for an offense under section (1)(b) of this chapter; and
- (2) the court determines that the person operated a vehicle in which at least one (1) passenger was less than eighteen (18) years of age;

the court shall recommend the suspension of the person's driving privileges for at least one (1) year but not more than two (2) years.

(h) If the conviction under consideration by the court is for an offense under:

- (1) section 4 of this chapter;
- (2) section 5 of this chapter;
- (3) IC 14-15-8-8(b); or
- (4) IC 14-15-8-8(c);

the court shall recommend the suspension of the person's driving privileges for at least two (2) years but not more than five (5) years.

⊕ (i) **Subject to this section**, if the conviction under consideration by the court is for an offense involving the use of a controlled substance listed in schedule I, II, III, IV, or V of IC 35-48-2, the court shall recommend the suspension or revocation of the person's driving privileges for at least six (6) months.

SECTION 3. IC 9-30-5-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2004]: Sec. 12. (a) If:

- (1) a court recommends suspension of a person's driving privileges under section 10(b) of this chapter for an offense committed under this chapter; and
- (2) the person did not refuse to submit to a chemical test offered under IC 9-30-6-2 during the investigation of the offense;

the court may stay the execution of the suspension of the person's driving privileges and grant the person probationary driving privileges

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for one hundred eighty (180) days.

(b) An order for probationary privileges must be issued in accordance with sections 11 and 13 of this chapter.

(c) If:

(1) a court recommends suspension of a person's driving privileges under section 10(c) ~~10(d)~~; or ~~10(e)~~; **10(h)** of this chapter for an offense committed under this chapter; and

(2) the period of suspension recommended by the court exceeds the minimum permissible fixed period of suspension specified under section 10 of this chapter;

the court may stay the execution of that part of the suspension that exceeds the minimum fixed period of suspension and grant the person probationary driving privileges for a period of time equal to the length of the stay.

(d) In addition to the other requirements of this section, if a person's driving privileges are suspended or revoked under section ~~10(f)~~ **10(i)** of this chapter, a court must find that compelling circumstances warrant the issuance of probationary driving privileges.

(e) Before a court may grant probationary driving privileges under this section, the person to whom the probationary driving privileges will be granted must meet the burden of proving eligibility to receive probationary driving privileges.

SECTION 4. IC 9-30-5-15, AS AMENDED BY P.L.32-2000, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2004]: Sec. 15. (a) In addition to any criminal penalty imposed for an offense under this chapter the court shall:

(1) order:

(A) that the person be imprisoned for at least five (5) days; ~~or~~
and

(B) **that** the person ~~to~~ perform at least thirty (30) days of community restitution or service; and

(2) order the person to receive an assessment of the person's degree of alcohol and drug abuse and, if appropriate, to successfully complete an alcohol or drug ~~abuse treatment~~ program; ~~including an alcohol deterrent program if the person suffers from alcohol abuse;~~

if the person has one (1) previous conviction of operating while intoxicated.

(b) In addition to any criminal penalty imposed for an offense under this chapter, the court shall:

(1) order:

(A) that the person be imprisoned for at least ~~ten (10)~~ **thirty**

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1 (30) days; or
 2 (B) the person to perform at least sixty (60) days of community
 3 restitution or service; and
 4 (2) order the person to receive an assessment of the person's
 5 degree of alcohol and drug abuse and, if appropriate, to
 6 successfully complete an alcohol or drug ~~abuse treatment~~
 7 program; ~~including an alcohol deterrent program if the person~~
 8 ~~suffers from alcohol abuse;~~
 9 if the person has at least two (2) previous convictions of operating
 10 while intoxicated.
 11 **(c) In addition to any criminal penalty imposed for an offense**
 12 **under this chapter, the court shall:**
 13 (1) order that the person be imprisoned for at least three (3)
 14 days; and
 15 (2) order the person to:
 16 (A) receive an assessment of the person's degree of alcohol
 17 and drug abuse; and
 18 (B) if appropriate, successfully complete an alcohol or drug
 19 program;
 20 if the person is convicted of an offense under section 1(b) of this
 21 chapter.
 22 **(d) In addition to any criminal penalty imposed for an offense**
 23 **under this chapter, the court shall:**
 24 (1) order that the person be imprisoned for at least three (3)
 25 days; and
 26 (2) order the person to:
 27 (A) receive an assessment of the person's degree of alcohol
 28 and drug abuse; and
 29 (B) if appropriate, successfully complete an alcohol or drug
 30 program;
 31 if the person is at least twenty-one (21) years of age and is
 32 convicted of an offense under section 1(a), 1(c), or 2 of this chapter
 33 in which at least one (1) passenger was less than eighteen (18) years
 34 of age.
 35 **(e) In addition to any criminal penalty imposed for an offense**
 36 **under this chapter, the court shall order the person to:**
 37 (1) receive an assessment of the person's degree of alcohol and
 38 drug abuse; and
 39 (2) if appropriate, successfully complete an alcohol or drug
 40 program;
 41 if the person is convicted of an offense under section 5 of this
 42 chapter.

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(f) An assessment for alcohol and drug abuse required under this section must be conducted by:

- (1) a court established alcohol and drug services program certified under IC 12-23-14;
- (2) a circuit court alcohol abuse deterrent program established under IC 9-30-9; or
- (3) a drug court certified under IC 12-23-14.5.

In a county that does not have a program described in subdivision (1), (2), or (3), the assessment must be conducted by an addiction services treatment provider certified by the division of mental health and addiction under IC 12-23.

(g) A court ordering a person to complete an alcohol or drug program under this section must determine that the program is:

- (1) certified under IC 12-23-14 or IC 12-23-14.5; or
- (2) authorized under IC 9-30-9.

In a county that does not have a program described in subdivision (1) or (2), the program must be conducted by an addiction services treatment provider certified by the division of mental health and addiction under IC 12-23.

~~(e)~~ (h) Notwithstanding IC 35-50-2-2 and IC 35-50-3-1, a sentence imposed under this section may not be suspended. The court may require that the person serve the term of imprisonment in an appropriate facility at whatever time or intervals (consecutive or intermittent) determined appropriate by the court. However:

- (1) at least forty-eight (48) hours of the sentence must be served consecutively; and
- (2) **except as provided in subsection (e)**, the entire sentence must be served within six (6) months after the date of sentencing.

~~(d)~~ (i) Notwithstanding IC 35-50-6, a person does not earn credit time while serving a sentence imposed under this section.

SECTION 5. IC 9-30-10-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2004]: Sec. 5. (a) If it appears from the records maintained in the bureau that a person's driving record makes the person a habitual violator under section 4 of this chapter, the bureau shall mail a notice to the person's last known address that informs the person that the person's driving privileges will be suspended in thirty (30) days because the person is a habitual violator according to the records of the bureau.

(b) Thirty (30) days after the bureau has mailed a notice under this section, the bureau shall suspend the person's driving privileges for:

- (1) **except as provided in subdivision (2)**, ten (10) years if the person is a habitual violator under section 4(a) of this chapter;

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(2) **life if the person is a habitual violator under section 4(a) of this chapter and has at least two (2) violations under section 4(a)(4) through 4(a)(7) of this chapter;**

(3) ten (10) years if the person is a habitual violator under section 4(b) of this chapter; or

~~(3)~~ (4) five (5) years if the person is a habitual violator under section 4(c) of this chapter.

(c) The notice must inform the person that the person may be entitled to relief under section 6 of this chapter or may seek judicial review of the person's suspension under this chapter.

SECTION 6. IC 35-50-2-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.224-2003, SECTION 126, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2004]: Sec. 2. (a) The court may suspend any part of a sentence for a felony, except as provided in this section or in section 2.1 of this chapter.

(b) With respect to the following crimes listed in this subsection, the court may suspend only that part of the sentence that is in excess of the minimum sentence, unless the court has approved placement of the offender in a forensic diversion program under IC 11-12-3.5:

(1) The crime committed was a Class A or Class B felony and the person has a prior unrelated felony conviction.

(2) The crime committed was a Class C felony and less than seven (7) years have elapsed between the date the person was discharged from probation, imprisonment, or parole, whichever is later, for a prior unrelated felony conviction and the date the person committed the Class C felony for which the person is being sentenced.

(3) The crime committed was a Class D felony and less than three (3) years have elapsed between the date the person was discharged from probation, imprisonment, or parole, whichever is later, for a prior unrelated felony conviction and the date the person committed the Class D felony for which the person is being sentenced. However, the court may suspend the minimum sentence for the crime only if the court orders home detention under IC 35-38-1-21 or IC 35-38-2.5-5 instead of the minimum sentence specified for the crime under this chapter.

(4) The felony committed was:

(A) murder (IC 35-42-1-1);

(B) battery (IC 35-42-2-1) with a deadly weapon or battery causing death;

(C) sexual battery (IC 35-42-4-8) with a deadly weapon;

(D) kidnapping (IC 35-42-3-2);

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- 1 (E) confinement (IC 35-42-3-3) with a deadly weapon;
- 2 (F) rape (IC 35-42-4-1) as a Class A felony;
- 3 (G) criminal deviate conduct (IC 35-42-4-2) as a Class A
- 4 felony;
- 5 (H) child molesting (IC 35-42-4-3) as a Class A or Class B
- 6 felony;
- 7 (I) robbery (IC 35-42-5-1) resulting in serious bodily injury or
- 8 with a deadly weapon;
- 9 (J) arson (IC 35-43-1-1) for hire or resulting in serious bodily
- 10 injury;
- 11 (K) burglary (IC 35-43-2-1) resulting in serious bodily injury
- 12 or with a deadly weapon;
- 13 (L) resisting law enforcement (IC 35-44-3-3) with a deadly
- 14 weapon;
- 15 (M) escape (IC 35-44-3-5) with a deadly weapon;
- 16 (N) rioting (IC 35-45-1-2) with a deadly weapon;
- 17 (O) dealing in cocaine, a narcotic drug, or methamphetamine
- 18 (IC 35-48-4-1) if the court finds the person possessed a firearm
- 19 (as defined in IC 35-47-1-5) at the time of the offense, or the
- 20 person delivered or intended to deliver to a person under
- 21 eighteen (18) years of age at least three (3) years junior to the
- 22 person and was on a school bus or within one thousand (1,000)
- 23 feet of:
- 24 (i) school property;
- 25 (ii) a public park;
- 26 (iii) a family housing complex; or
- 27 (iv) a youth program center;
- 28 (P) dealing in a schedule I, II, or III controlled substance
- 29 (IC 35-48-4-2) if the court finds the person possessed a firearm
- 30 (as defined in IC 35-47-1-5) at the time of the offense, or the
- 31 person delivered or intended to deliver to a person under
- 32 eighteen (18) years of age at least three (3) years junior to the
- 33 person and was on a school bus or within one thousand (1,000)
- 34 feet of:
- 35 (i) school property;
- 36 (ii) a public park;
- 37 (iii) a family housing complex; or
- 38 (iv) a youth program center;
- 39 (Q) an offense under IC 9-30-5 (operating a vehicle while
- 40 intoxicated) and the person who committed the offense has
- 41 accumulated at least two (2) prior unrelated convictions under
- 42 IC 9-30-5; or

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1 (R) **an offense under IC 9-30-5-5 (operating a vehicle while**
 2 **intoxicated causing death); or**

3 **(S) aggravated battery (IC 35-42-2-1.5).**

4 (c) Except as provided in subsection (e), whenever the court
 5 suspends a sentence for a felony, it shall place the person on probation
 6 under IC 35-38-2 for a fixed period to end not later than the date that
 7 the maximum sentence that may be imposed for the felony will expire.

8 (d) The minimum sentence for a person convicted of voluntary
 9 manslaughter may not be suspended unless the court finds at the
 10 sentencing hearing that the crime was not committed by means of a
 11 deadly weapon.

12 (e) Whenever the court suspends that part of an offender's (as
 13 defined in IC 5-2-12-4) sentence that is suspendible under subsection
 14 (b), the court shall place the offender on probation under IC 35-38-2 for
 15 not more than ten (10) years.

16 (f) An additional term of imprisonment imposed under
 17 IC 35-50-2-11 may not be suspended.

18 (g) A term of imprisonment imposed under IC 35-47-10-6 or
 19 IC 35-47-10-7 may not be suspended if the commission of the offense
 20 was knowing or intentional.

21 (h) A term of imprisonment imposed for an offense under
 22 IC 35-48-4-6(b)(1)(B) may not be suspended.

23 **SECTION 7. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2004] (a) IC 9-30-5-3, as**
 24 **amended by this act, applies only to offenses committed after June**
 25 **30, 2004.**

26 **(b) IC 9-30-5-10, IC 9-30-5-15, IC 9-30-10-5, and IC 35-50-2-2,**
 27 **all as amended by this act, apply only if the last offense was**
 28 **committed after June 30, 2004.**

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